

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

KEVIN THORNE

Serial No.: 10/606,190

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For: RAPID ISOLATION OF OSTEOINDUCTIVE  
PROTEIN MIXTURES FROM MAMMALIAN  
BONE TISSUE

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Group Art Unit: 1651

Examiner: Vera Afremova

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**PRELIMINARY REMARKS**

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Sir:

It is believed that no fees are due in connection with these Preliminary Remarks. However, if any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 are required for any reason, the Director is authorized to deduct said fees from Williams, Morgan & Amerson, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-0786/2103.014900RE.